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Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1, 4-5 (canceled)

Claim 2 (currently amended): A method according to claim [[1]] 8, wherein said control signal is a reset signal for resetting the given one of the computer units.

Claim 3 (original): A method according to claim 2, wherein said control signal is indicative of either controlling the power to the given one of the computer units or requesting it to trigger a reset mode of operation.

Claim 6 (currently amended): A method according to claim [[5]] 8, wherein said control signal is a reset signal generated when the condition is determined to be outside of the predetermined limits.

Claim 7 (currently amended): A method according to claim [[4]] 8, wherein said sensing device is a temperature sensing device.

Claim 8 (currently amended): A method according to claim 5, further including of controlling a group of computer units mounted on a rack, comprising:

receiving a computer unit performance signals at a reset control module mounted on the rack:

generating a control signal in response to the receipt of the performance signal for a given control unit;

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sending the control signal to the given one of the computer units for causing it to be controlled in response thereto;

wherein said receiving computer unit performance signals are received from a sensing device mounted on the rack for detecting malfunctions:

determining whether the condition is within pre-determined limits; and sending an alarm message to a remote computer to indicate that a malfunction has occurred when it is determined that the condition is outside said limits.

Claim 9 (original): A method according to claim 8, wherein said message is sent after a predetermined time delay following the determination that the condition is outside said limits.

Claim 10 (original): A method according to claim 9, further including repeating the sending of the alarm message after another time delay interval.